

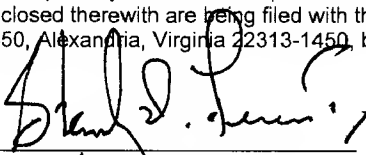
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of                      Frank et al.  
Serial No.                                      09/997,957                      Examiner :              Vo, Huyen X.  
Filed    November 30, 2001              Art Unit :              2655  
For    METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE AUTOMATIC  
SEPARATING AND INDEXING OF MULTI-SPEAKER  
CONVERSATIONS

December 10, 2007

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as  
enclosed therewith are being filed with the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box  
1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, by EFS Web on December 10, 2007.

  
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December 10, 2007  
Date of Signature

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of one (1)  
month through and including December 10, 2007 to respond to the Office Action mailed  
on August 10, 2007. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this  
paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

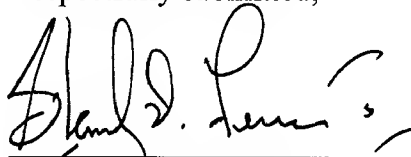
Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

		large entity	small entity
( X )	one month	\$120	\$60
( )	two months	\$460	\$230
( )	three months	\$1,050	\$525
( )	four months	\$1,640	\$820
( )	five months	\$2,230	\$1,115

Applicants are paying herewith by credit card the amount of \$120.00 to cover the extension of time fee for one (1) month. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the credit card by which this fee is being paid.

Respectfully submitted,



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